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THE JUGGERNAUT!

THE BRUTAL DESTRUCTION OF SHOGUN SANCTUARY HAS SHOCKED AND DEPRESSED SHOGUN OPERATORS, STUNTMAN RICHARD CARSON AND TEST PILOT, GENJI ODASHU. NOW THERE WILL BE NO MORE HELP FROM THE SLAIN FOLLOWERS OF THE LIGHT. NO EASY REPAIRS OR SPARE PARTS FOR THE AWESOME SHOGUN ROBOTS, NO CONVENIENT STORAGE.
THE CHANGE DOES OFFER THEM A NEW BEGINNING OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY, RESPONSIBILITY, AND INDEPENDENCE...
...BUT AS THEY WATCH KONGO SAVAGE DEPART IN HIS SHOGUN, DANGARD ACE... THEY ARE IN NO MOOD TO APPRECIATE IT.
I'LL BE SAD TO LEAVE HERE CARSON,... AND I'LL MISS KONGO TERRIBLY... THE MADAGASCAR COAST SEEMS SO FAR AWAY.
I KNOW, GENJI. BUT HE'S SURE AN UNDERWATER CAVERN NEAR HIS OCEANOGRAPHY CENTER IS THE PERFECT STORAGE PLACE FOR DANGARD...
...WE STILL HAVE TO FIND PLACES TO STORE COMBATRA AND RAYDEEN.

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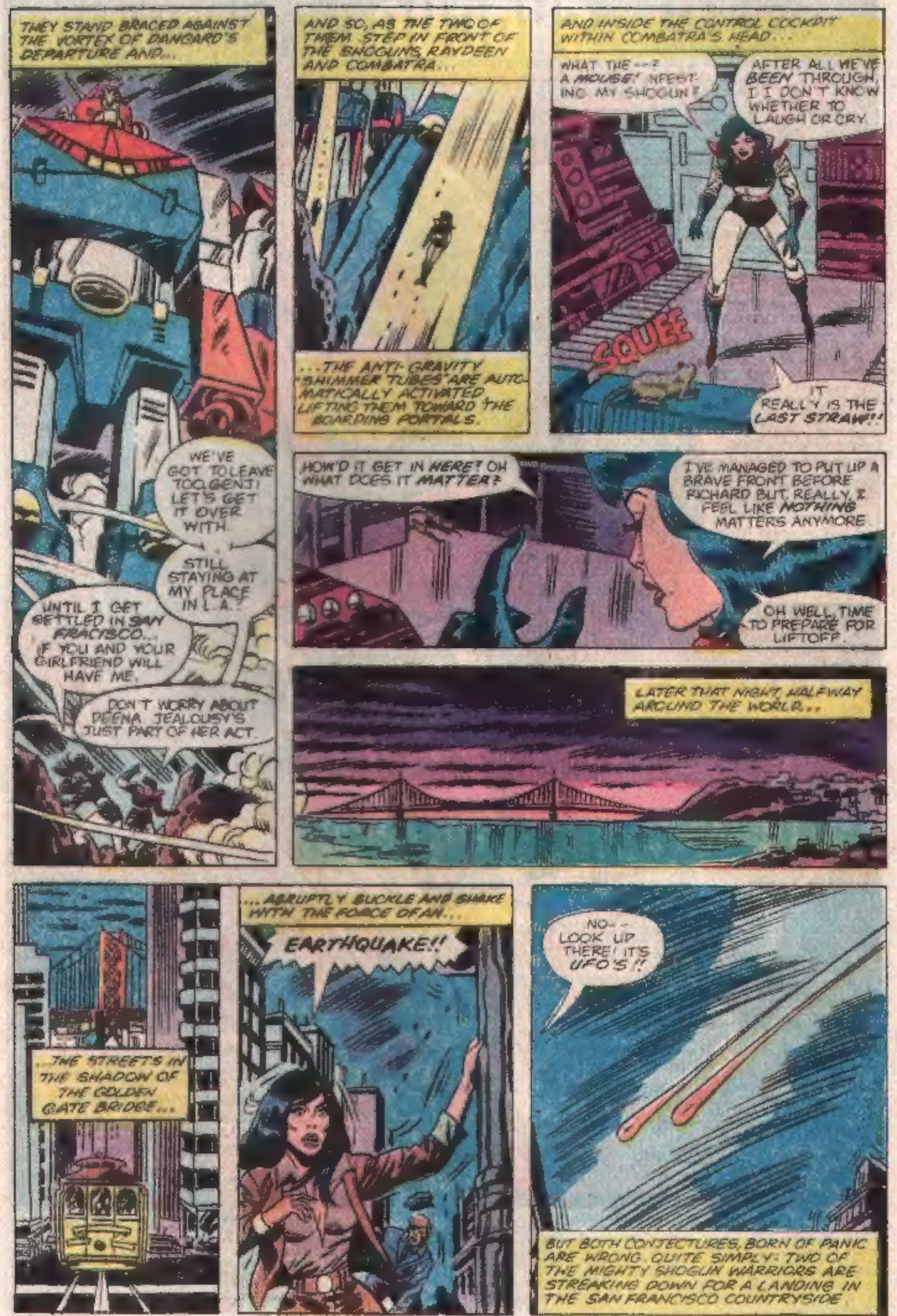
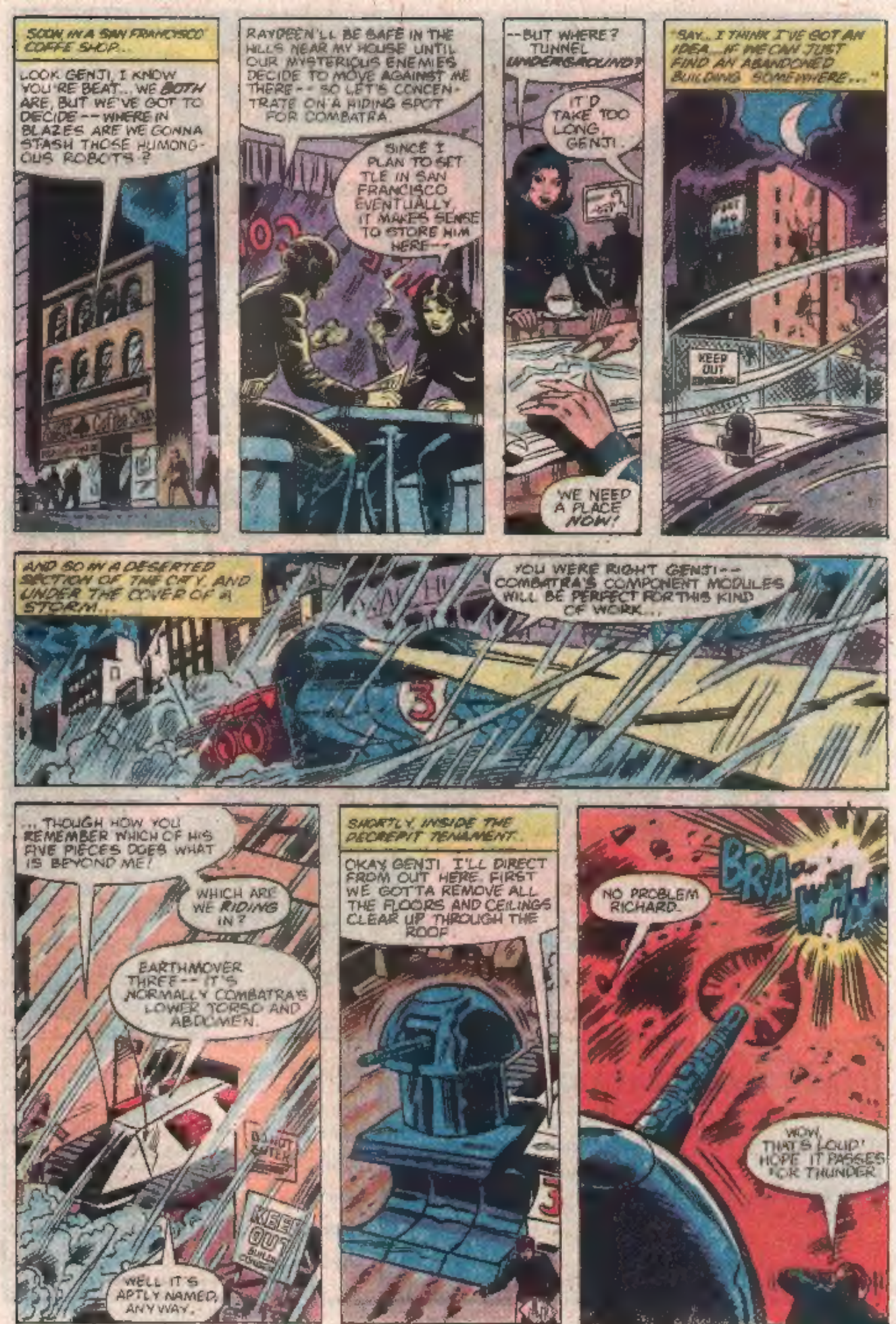

THEY STAND BRACED AGAINST THE VORTEX OF DANGARD'S DEPARTURE AND...
WE'VE GOT TO LEAVE TOO, GENJI LET'S GET IT OVER WITH.
STILL STAYING AT MY PLACE IN L.A.?
UNTIL I GET SETTLED IN SAN FRACYSCO... IF YOU AND YOUR GIRLFRIEND WILL HAVE ME.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT PEENA JEALOUSY'S JUST PART OF HER ACT.
AND SO, AS THE TWO OF THEM STEP IN FRONT OF THE SHOGUNS, RAYDEEN AND COMBATRA...
...THE ANTI-GRAVITY SHIMMER TUBES ARE AUTOMATICALLY ACTIVATED, LIFTING THEM TOWARD THE BOARDING PORTALS.
AND INSIDE THE CONTROL COCKPIT WITHIN COMBATRA'S HEAD...
WHAT THE--? A MOUSE! NEEST-ING IN MY SHOGUN?
SQUEE
AFTER ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER TO LAUGH OR CRY.
IT REALLY IS THE LAST STRAW!!
HOW'D IT GET IN HERE? OH WHAT DOES IT MATTER?
I'VE MANAGED TO PUT UP A BRAVE FRONT BEFORE RICHARD BUT, REALLY, I FEEL LIKE NOTHING MATTERS ANYMORE
OH WELL, TIME TO PREPARE FOR LIFTOFF.
LATER THAT NIGHT, HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD...
...THE STREETS IN THE SHADOW OF THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE...
...ABRUPTLY BUCKLE AND SHAKE WITH THE FORCE OF AN...
EARTHQUAKE!!
NO-- LOOK UP THERE! IT'S UFO'S!!
BUT BOTH CONJECTURES, BORN OF PANIC ARE WRONG. QUITE SIMPLY: TWO OF THE MIGHTY SHOGUN WARRIORS ARE STREAKING DOWN FOR A LANDING IN THE SAN FRANCISCO COUNTRYSIDE.


SOON IN A SAN FRANCISCO COFFEE SHOP...
LOOK, GENJI, I KNOW YOU'RE BEAT... WE BOTH ARE, BUT WE'VE GOT TO DECIDE -- WHERE IN BLAZES ARE WE GONNA STASH THOSE HUMONGOUS ROBOTS?
RAYDEEN'LL BE SAFE IN THE HILLS NEAR MY HOUSE UNTIL OUR MYSTERIOUS ENEMIES DECIDE TO MOVE AGAINST ME THERE -- SO LET'S CONCENTRATE ON A HIDING SPOT FOR COMBATRA.
SINCE I PLAN TO SETTLE IN SAN FRANCISCO EVENTUALLY, IT MAKES SENSE TO STORE HIM HERE --
--BUT WHERE? TUNNEL UNDERGROUND?
IT'D TAKE TOO LONG, GENJI.
WE NEED A PLACE NOW!
"SAY... I THINK I'VE GOT AN IDEA... IF WE CAN JUST FIND AN ABANDONED BUILDING SOMEWHERE..."
KEEP OUT
AND SO IN A DESERTED SECTION OF THE CITY, AND UNDER THE COVER OF A STORM...
YOU WERE RIGHT GENJI -- COMBATRA'S COMPONENT MODULES WILL BE PERFECT FOR THIS KIND OF WORK...
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... THOUGH HOW YOU REMEMBER WHICH OF HIS FIVE PIECES DOES WHAT IS BEYOND ME!
WHICH ARE WE RIDING IN?
EARTHMOVER THREE -- IT'S NORMALLY COMBATRA'S LOWER TORSO AND ABDOMEN.
DANGER KEEP OUT BUILDING CONDEMNED
WELL IT'S APTLY NAMED, ANYWAY.
SHORTLY, INSIDE THE DECREPIT TENEMENT...
OKAY, GENJI, I'LL DIRECT FROM OUT HERE. FIRST WE GOT'TA REMOVE ALL THE FLOORS AND CEILINGS CLEAR UP THROUGH THE ROOF.
3
NO PROBLEM, RICHARD.
BRA-WHAM
WOW, THAT'S LOUD! HOPE IT PASSES FOR THUNDER.

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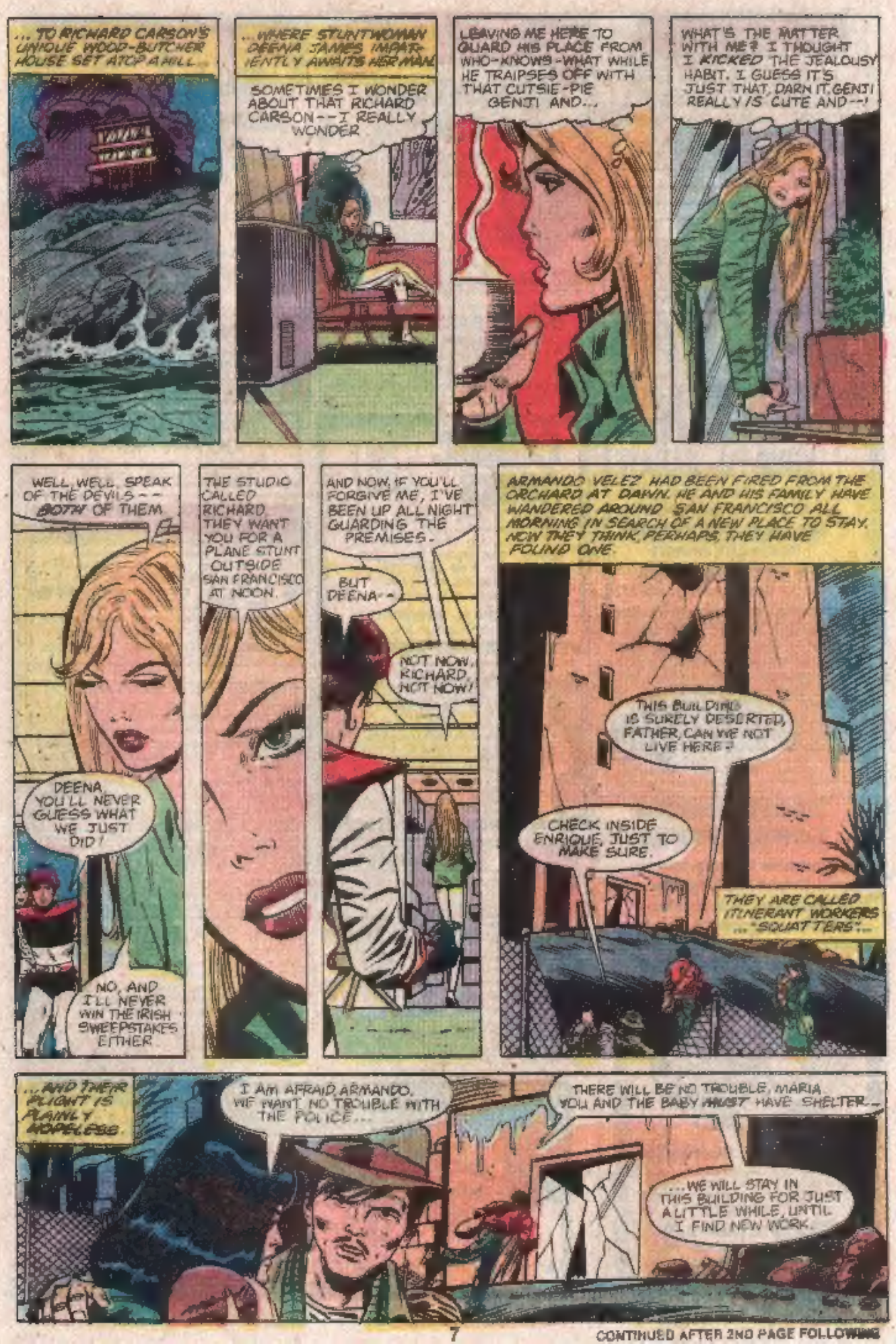
NEXT, LET'S GET THIS RUBBLE CLEARED AWAY...
...AND BLAST A HUMONGOUS HOLE THROUGH THE FOUNDATION!
BRA-WHOM
THEY'RE GONNA FEEL THESE TREMORS IN SAN JUAN...
...BUT WE'VE CREATED THE PERFECT BOLT-HOLE FOR COMBATRA!
EARTHMOVER THREE SUMMONS THE OTHER FOUR ROBOT-CONTROLLED COMPONENTS AND, INSIDE THE NOW HOLLOW BUILDING, THEY LOCK TOGETHER TO ONCE AGAIN FORM THE SHOGUN WARRIOR COMBATRA.
I HOPE IT'LL BE SAFE RICHARD
SURE IT WILL WHAT COULD HAPPEN TO IT HERE?
AND A LONG DRIVE LATER...
YA' SURE YOU WANNA BE LET OUT HERE--IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE?
WE'RE SURE.
THEN YOU GOT IT.
POOR GUY PROBABLY THINKS WE'RE NUTS, GENJI.
SOMETIMES I THINK I'M NUTS.
BUT EVERY TIME I SEE RAYDEEN AGAIN, THE DOUBTS JUST VANISH.
MAN, HE LOOKS SPIFFY AGAINST THE STARS, DOESN'T HE?
MAGNIFICENT, RICHARD. THE FOLLOWERS OF THE LIGHT HAVE GIVEN US A GREAT AND AWESOME GIFT.
"AMEN, GENJI, AND HEAVEN HELP US IF THAT GIFT IS EVER ABUSED!"
"NOW LET'S GO HOME!"
THOUGH LOS ANGELES IS 300 MILES AWAY FOR RAYDEEN IT IS BUT A SHORT JUMP...


...TO RICHARD CARSON'S UNIQUE WOOD-BUTCHER HOUSE SET ATOP A HILL...
...WHERE STUNTWOMAN DEENA JAMES IMPATIENTLY AWAITS HER MAN!
SOMETIMES I WONDER ABOUT THAT RICHARD CARSON--I REALLY WONDER
LEAVING ME HERE TO GUARD HIS PLACE FROM WHO-KNOWS-WHAT WHILE HE TRAIPSES OFF WITH THAT CUTSIE-PIE GENJI AND...
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME? I THOUGHT I KICKED THE JEALOUSY HABIT. I GUESS IT'S JUST THAT, DARN IT, GENJI REALLY IS CUTE AND--!
WELL, WE'LL SPEAK OF THE DEVILS--BOTH OF THEM
DEENA, YOU'LL NEVER GUESS WHAT WE JUST DID!
NO, AND I'LL NEVER WIN THE IRISH SWEEPSTAKES EITHER
THE STUDIO CALLED RICHARD. THEY WANT YOU FOR A PLANE STUNT OUTSIDE SAN FRANCISCO AT NOON.
AND NOW, IF YOU'LL FORGIVE ME, I'VE BEEN UP ALL NIGHT GUARDING THE PREMISES.
BUT DEENA--
NOT NOW, RICHARD, NOT NOW!
ARMANDO VELEZ HAD BEEN FIRED FROM THE ORCHARD AT DAWN. HE AND HIS FAMILY HAVE WANDERED AROUND SAN FRANCISCO ALL MORNING IN SEARCH OF A NEW PLACE TO STAY. NOW THEY THINK, PERHAPS, THEY HAVE FOUND ONE.
THIS BUILDING IS SURELY DESERTED, FATHER. CAN WE NOT LIVE HERE?
CHECK INSIDE ENRIQUE, JUST TO MAKE SURE.
THEY ARE CALLED ITINERANT WORKERS ..."SQUATTERS"...
...AND THEIR PLIGHT IS PLAINLY HOPELESS.
I AM AFRAID, ARMANDO, WE WANT NO TROUBLE WITH THE POLICE...
THERE WILL BE NO TROUBLE, MARIA. YOU AND THE BABY MUST HAVE SHELTER...
...WE WILL STAY IN THIS BUILDING FOR JUST A LITTLE WHILE, UNTIL I FIND NEW WORK.

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"'RIQUE WILL MAKE SURE THAT IT IS ABANDONED."
HELLO--?
HE'S BIG FOR HIS AGE, ARMANDO... BUT HE IS ONLY ELEVEN...
...SOMETIMES, YOU EXPECT TOO MUCH OF HIM.
HE IS ALMOST A MAN, MARIA. HE MUST BEGIN TO ACT LIKE ONE!
ANYBODY HERE--?
HELLO! I SAID, IS ANYBODY H...
WH-WHAT--?! A MONSTER!
NO! IT CAN'T BE... IT'S TOO STILL!
IT MUST BE ONLY A STATUE... BUT IT... IT IS...FANTASTIC!
MESMERIZED BY THE SIGHT BEFORE HIM, HE STEPS CLOSER...
NEVER... NEVER HAVE I SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS! BUT WHAT IS IT DOING HERE, IN THIS--?
...CLOSER...
UHN!
...AND FINALLY, TOO CLOSE.
NOOO!!
BUT AS HIS BODY PLUMMETS INTO THE INVISIBLE SENSOR FIELD IN FRONT OF THE INCREDIBLE ROBOT--A BURST OF ENERGY CRACKLES FROM COMBATRA'S HEAD..
...AND THE AUTOMATIC SWIMMER-TUBE REVERSES HIS FALL.

AND THEN, DIZZY AND TINGLING, HE IS... SOMEWHERE ELSE.
WH-WHAT HAPPENED? SOMEHOW I... I AM INSIDE THE THING...
TRAPPED!
GOT TO GET OUT-- WARN MOM AND DAD!
AUTO
THESE BUTTONS-- MAYBE THEY OPEN THE DOOR!
UH-OH! T-THAT MUST'VE BEEN THE ON SWITCH... I HIT IT AND NOW...
...THIS MONSTER IS... COMING TO LIFE!!
ARMANDO, WHAT HAPPENED?! 'RIQUE CRIED OUT... THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION AND...
ENRIQUE WAS IN THERE!!
THE GROUND STILL TREMBLES. I FEAR IT WILL MAKE THE OLD BUILDING FALL! WAIT OUTSIDE, MARIA! I WILL SAVE THE BOY--IF I CAN!
THE SHOCKED FATHER RACES INTO THE DILAPIDATED BUILDING AS OVERHEAD--
--A BERSERK JUGGERNAUT STREAKS HIGH OVER THE CITY...
...THEN SWOOPS TERRIFYINGLY LOW, COMPLETELY OUT OF CONTROL.
WHAT THE--?! RADIO HEADQUARTERS, ED!
TELL 'EM IT'S ONE OF THOSE GIANT ROBOTS AGAIN--ATTACKING THE CITY!!

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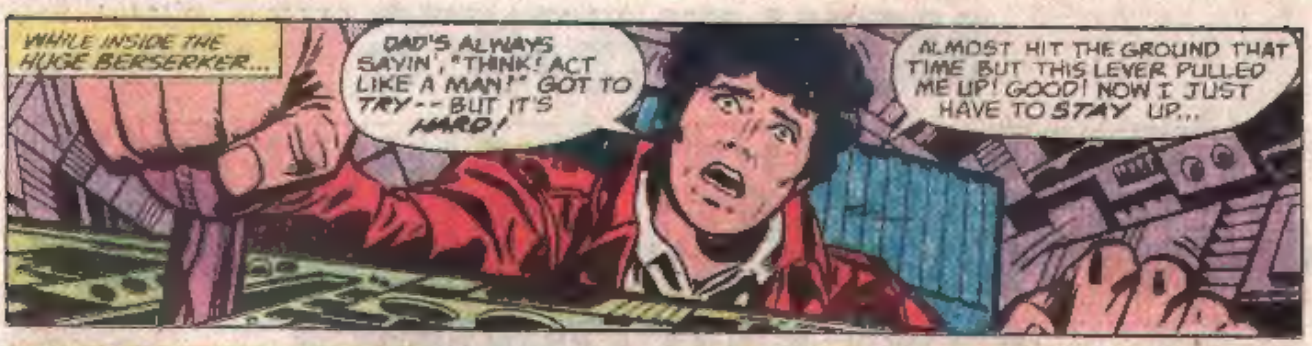

WHILE INSIDE THE HUGE BERSERKER...
DAD'S ALWAYS SAYIN', "THINK! ACT LIKE A MAN!" GOT TO TRY -- BUT IT'S HARD!
ALMOST HIT THE GROUND THAT TIME BUT THIS LEVER PULLED ME UP! GOOD! NOW I JUST HAVE TO STAY UP...

BOOSH
...TILL I FIGURE OUT HOW TO LAND THIS THING!
OH NO! WRONG BUTTON!

IT'S NO USE! EVERYTHING I TRY...
WHOOSH
EEZHT

...JUST LAUNCHES ANOTHER WEAPON!

ALWAYS LOVED THE AIRPORT 'CAUSE FLYING LOOKED LIKE SO MUCH FUN...
BUT THIS IS NO FUN AT ALL! I'M JUST TOO SCARED!

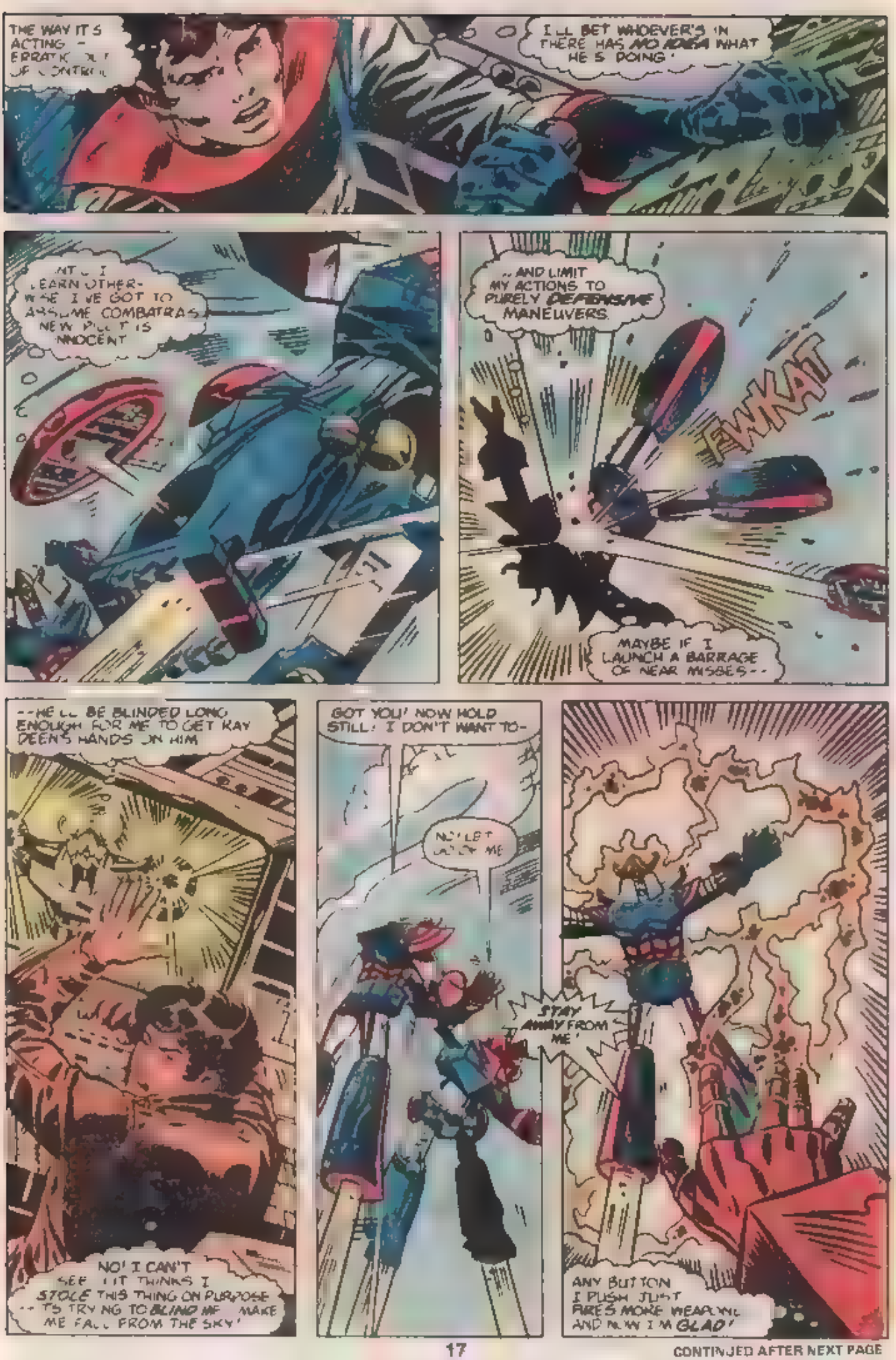
MEANWHILE, AT A FILM LOCATION OUTSIDE SAN FRANCISCO...

...STUNTMAN RICHARD CARSON DOES HIS THING...
CR-ASH
CUT! OKAY -- BRING OUT THE STARS FOR THE NEXT SCENE!

PERFECT, DICKIE-BOY, JUST PERFECT!
YEAH, GREAT WAY TO MAKE A BUCK -- IF ONLY YOU'D QUIT CALLIN' ME "DICKIE-BOY."
C'MON GENJI -- LET'S GRAB SOMETHING TO EAT.

BUT THEN, PASSING A MOBILE UNIT VAN...
HEY RICHARD! YOU GOTTA SEE WHAT'S ON THE TUBE -- NEWS BULLETIN!
GIANT ROBOT IN 'FRISCO
WHAT?!
...SIMILAR, PERHAPS IDENTICAL TO THE HUGE ROBOT REPORTED IN THE LOS ANGELES VICINITY SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, BUT THIS TIME, APPARENTLY OUT OF CONTROL!
IT'S COMBATRA, GENJI! I'LL SNATCH ONE OF THE FILM'S BIPLANES, FLY TO MY PLACE -- SO I CAN GET TO RAYDEEN FAST! HE'S THE ONLY THING THAT EVEN HAS A CHANCE OF STOPPING COMBATRA...
"YOU TAKE MY CYCLE AND GO TO THE TENEMENT BUILDING!"
"TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED!"
EN ROUTE, GENJI FINDS TRAFFIC SNARLED AS A RESULT OF MASS SIGHTINGS AND PANIC...
SWIFT
...BUT THE CYCLE QUICKLY THREADS ITS WAY THROUGH THE JAM TO THE FATEFUL BUILDING.
NO ONE AROUND...
...UNLESS THERE'S SOMEONE INSIDE...
PLEASE -- WE MEANT NO TROUBLE! Y-YOU MUST HELP US! OUR SON WAS HERE -- AND NOW HE'S GONE!
GONE WHERE? IS YOUR SON IN THE ROBOT?
INSIDE THE --? THEN HE MAY YET BE ALIVE, MARIA! IT HAPPENED SO FAST WE HEARD HIM SCREAM "NO!" THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION -- THEN THAT THING SHOT UP THROUGH THE ROOF AND...
THEN HE MUST BE INSIDE IT. TELL ME -- YOU KNOW YOUR SON BETTER THAN ANYONE. WHAT MIGHT HE DO? WHERE MIGHT HE GO?

ENRIQUE IS A GOOD BOY, YOU MUST BELIEVE THAT HE MEANS NO HARM!
I BELIEVE YOU--BUT WHAT WILL HE DO?
HE IS YOUNG.. BUT SMART AND BRAVE ...ALMOST A MAN!
"HE WILL DO HIS BEST TO CONTROL THE ROBOT-- TO STOP IT IF HE CAN AND..."
THE AIRPORT, MARIA! YOU REMEMBER HOW FASCINATED HE WAS BY THE AIRPORT --HOW HE WAS ALWAYS ASKING ME TO TAKE HIM THERE!
Y- YES ARMANDO, PERHAPS YOU ARE RIGHT
IF HE COULD GUIDE IT, HE MIGHT GO TO THE AIRPORT--TRY TO LAND IT THERE!
GOOD ENOUGH I'LL TRY IT BUT YOU WAIT HERE, AND BELIEVE ME, I ONLY WANT TO [redacted] ENRIQUE
THAT MOUSE MUST'VE TRIPPED COMBATRA'S SHIMMER-TUBE-- JUST LIKE ENRIQUE I SHOULD'VE REALIZED THIS MIGHT HAPPEN BUT I JUST DIDN'T THINK! IT'S ALL MY FAULT
I JUST HOPE HIS PARENTS ARE RIGHT ABOUT THE AIRPORT
EITHER WAY, I'VE GOT TO FIND A WAY TO CONTACT RICHARD-- CONTACT RAYDEEN-- TELL HIM THERE'S JUST AN INNOCENT CHILD IN THERE
AIRPORT KEEP OUT
AND AS GENTI DESPERATELY RACES FOR SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL RAYDEEN STREAKS ONTO THE SCENE OF MAYHEM.
LOOK NOW THERE RE TWO OF 'EM
SPAK
..THEY RE STARTIN TO FIGHT!!
AHH NOW THERE'S AN UNDER STATEMENT!
E THER DEL BERATE.. OR OUT OF PANIC, COMBATRA'S ATTACKING ME WITH EVERYTHING IT'S GOT!


THE WAY IT'S ACTING - ERRATIC, OUT OF CONTROL
I'LL BET WHOEVER'S IN THERE HAS NO IDEA WHAT HE'S DOING!
...BUT I LEARN OTHERWISE I'VE GOT TO ASSUME COMBATRAS NEW PILOT IS INNOCENT
...AND LIMIT MY ACTIONS TO PURELY DEFENSIVE MANEUVERS.
FWKAT
MAYBE IF I LAUNCH A BARRAGE OF NEAR MISSES--
--HE'LL BE BLINDED LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO GET KAY DEEN'S HANDS ON HIM
NO! I CAN'T SEE IT THINKS I STOLE THIS THING ON PURPOSE -- I'S TRY NG TO BLIND ME MAKE ME FALL FROM THE SKY!
GOT YOU! NOW HOLD STILL! I DON'T WANT TO-
NO! LET GO OF ME
STAY AWAY FROM ME!
ANY BUTTON I PUSH JUST FIRES MORE WEAPONS AND NOW I'M GLAD!

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THEN, AS ENRIQUE FRANTICALLY HITS ONE BUTTON AFTER ANOTHER AT RANDOM
UH OH CRITICAL BUILDUP IN COMBATRA'S HEAT-RAY-- GETTIN' READY TO BLAST ME AND THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO TO COUNTER WITHOUT HURTING HIM--
OH TERRIFIC -- BY DUCKING, I JUST LET THAT OIL TANKER GET NAILED!
--EXCEPT DUCK!
GOTTA GET THAT TANKER OUT OF THE WATER-- FAST...
BEFORE TOO MUCH OF THE OIL SPILLS INTO THE BAY!
EVACUATE THE DOCK! EVERYBODY OUT-- NOW!!
HATE TO SCARE EVERYONE LIKE THIS...
BUT I DON'T HAVE TIME TO CONVINCE 'EM THAT RAYDEEN'S INTENTIONS ARE HONORABLE

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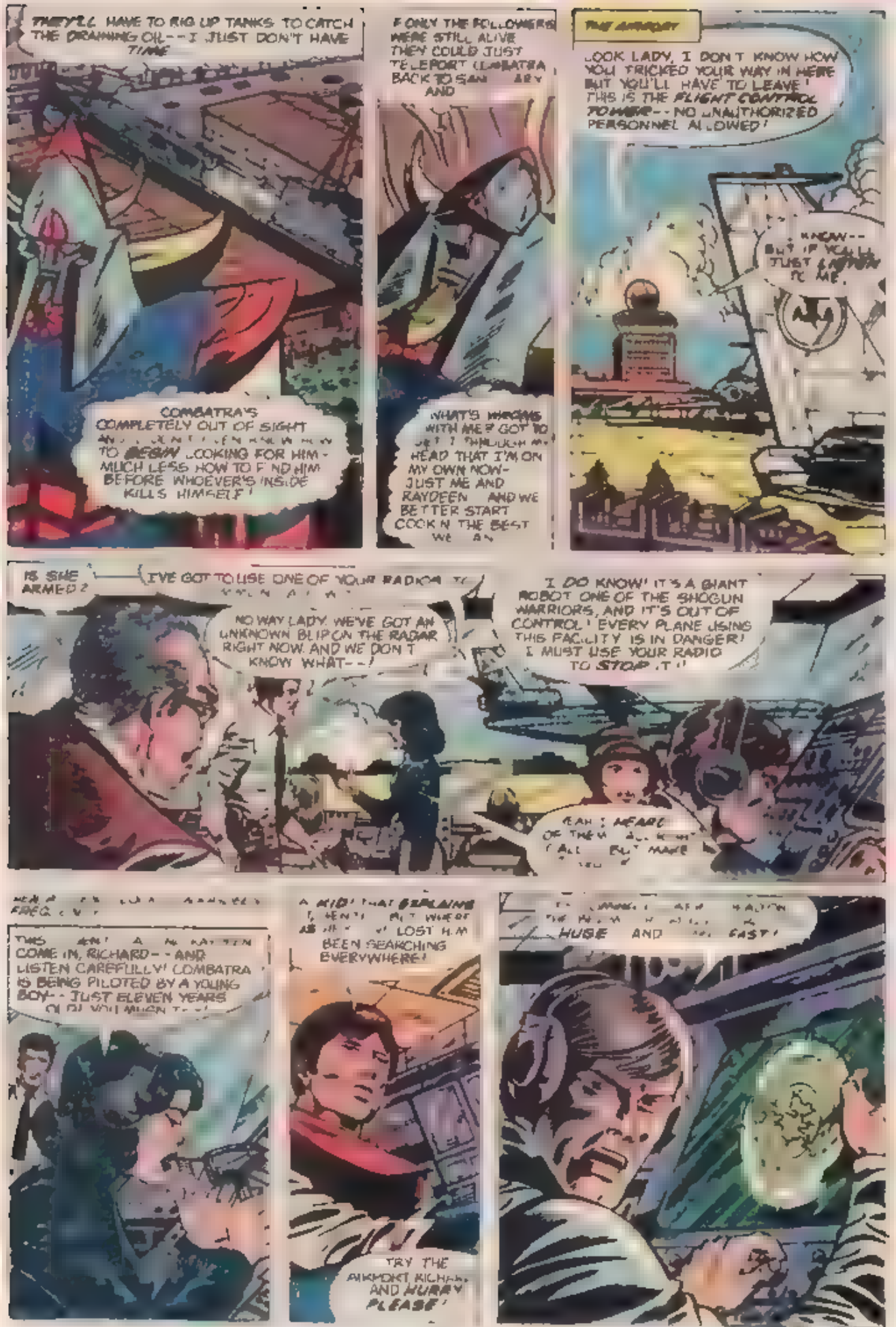
THEY'LL HAVE TO RIG UP TANKS TO CATCH THE DRAINING OIL--I JUST DON'T HAVE TIME
COMBATRA'S COMPLETELY OUT OF SIGHT AND I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO BEGIN LOOKING FOR HIM--MUCH LESS HOW TO FIND HIM BEFORE WHOEVER'S INSIDE KILLS HIMSELF!
IF ONLY THE FOLLOWERS WERE STILL ALIVE THEY COULD JUST TELEPORT COMBATRA BACK TO SAN ARY AND
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? GOT TO GET THROUGH MY HEAD THAT I'M ON MY OWN NOW--JUST ME AND RAYDEEN AND WE BETTER START COOKIN THE BEST WE AN
THE ANTAGONIST
LOOK LADY, I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU TRICKED YOUR WAY IN HERE BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE! THIS IS THE FLIGHT CONTROL TOWER--NO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ALLOWED!
KNOW-- BUT IF YOU'LL JUST LISTEN TO ME.
IS SHE ARMED?
I'VE GOT TO USE ONE OF YOUR RADIOS TO WARN A PLANE
NO WAY LADY. WE'VE GOT AN UNKNOWN BLIP ON THE RADAR RIGHT NOW. AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT--!
I DO KNOW! IT'S A GIANT ROBOT ONE OF THE SHOGUN WARRIORS, AND IT'S OUT OF CONTROL! EVERY PLANE USING THIS FACILITY IS IN DANGER! I MUST USE YOUR RADIO TO STOP IT!
YEAH! HEARD OF THEM ALL BUT MAKE
HEAR FOR YOUR ASSHOLE FREQUENCY
THIS AIN'T A NO KAIJU COME IN, RICHARD--AND LISTEN CAREFULLY! COMBATRA IS BEING PILOTED BY A YOUNG BOY--JUST ELEVEN YEARS OLD! DO YOU MEAN TO--
A KID! THAT EXPLAINS IT, HENRY! BUT WHERE AS IT--! LOST HIM BEEN SEARCHING EVERYWHERE!
TRY THE AIRPORT RICHARD AND HURRY PLEASE!
HUGE AND FAST!

THIS IS FLIGHT CONTROL TO ALL INCOMING TRAFFIC-- CLEAR OUT! REPEAT: SEEK ALTERNATE FACILITIES AT ONCE!
HERE IT COMES! AND IT... THE GIRL -- SHE WAS RIGHT! IT'S A LOUSY GIANT ROBOT!
AND LOOK HOW LOW IT'S FLYIN'!
LOOK OUT!
ZOWIE
IT'S COMING RIGHT AT US!!
INSIDE RAYDEEN...
GENJI, I'M LOCKED ON HIM -- IN HOT PURSUIT!
NOW LET'S JUST HOPE I CAN THINK OF SOMETHING TO DO ONCE I CATCH UP WITH HIM!
AND GENJI -- A FEW PRAYERS WOULDN'T HURT
ANOTHER ONE!! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
HE'S GOT COMBATRA AT TOP SPEED. ONLY ONE WAY TO OVERTAKE HIM...
ZIP
GOTTA CONVERT FROM RAYDEEN--
ZHOK
--TO FIREHAWK!
SHREE
HURRY, RICHARD! THAT PASS HE MADE ALMOST LEVELED THE CONTROL TOWER! YOU'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!!
I'M TRYING, GENJI! BELIEVE ME!
BUT I JUST CAN'T THINK OF ANY WAY TO STOP SOMETHING LIKE COMBATRA WITHOUT CREAMIN' THE KID INSIDE!

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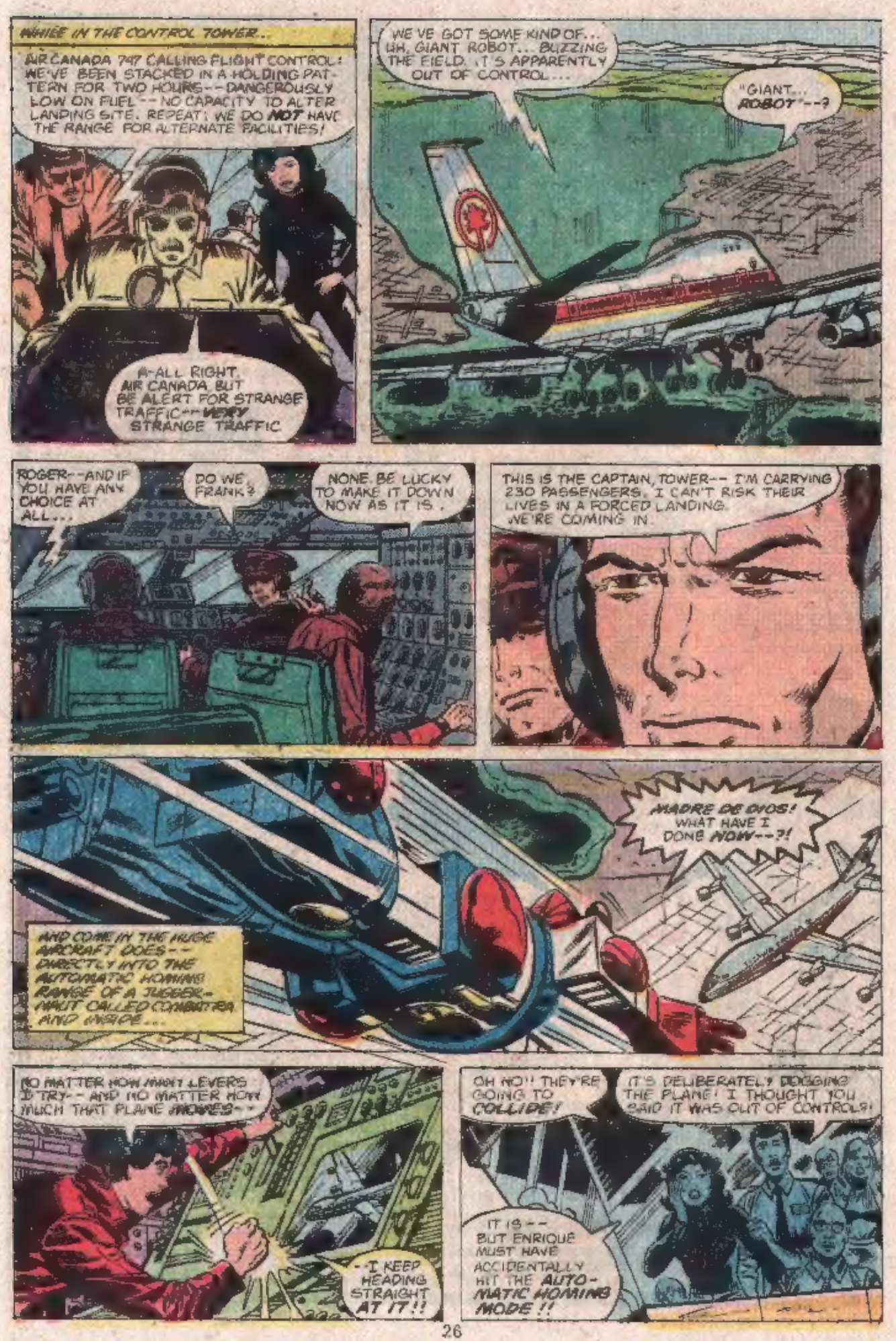
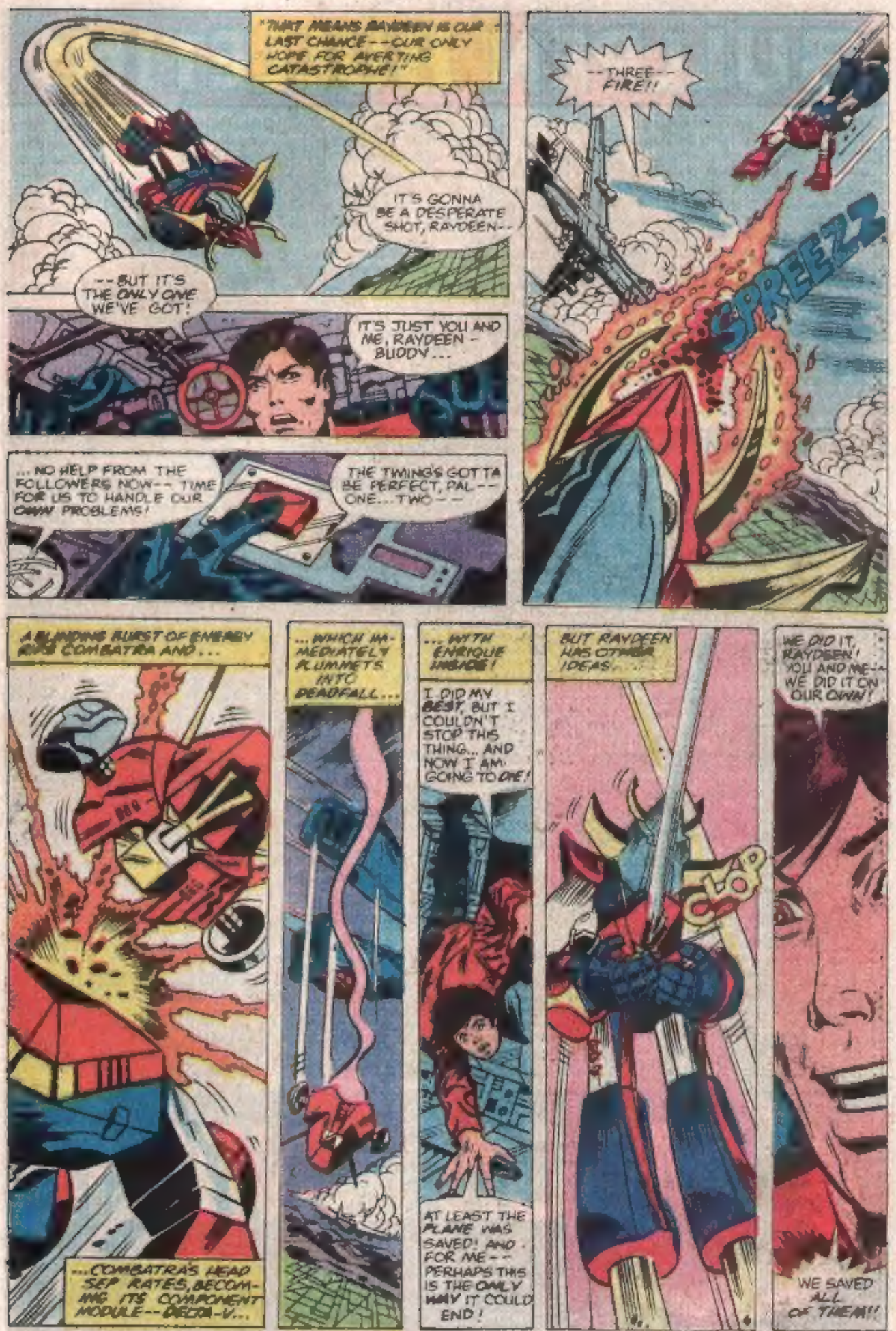

WHILE IN THE CONTROL TOWER..
AIR CANADA 747 CALLING FLIGHT CONTROL! WE'VE BEEN STACKED IN A HOLDING PATTERN FOR TWO HOURS--DANGEROUSLY LOW ON FUEL--NO CAPACITY TO ALTER LANDING SITE. REPEAT: WE DO NOT HAVE THE RANGE FOR ALTERNATE FACILITIES!
A-ALL RIGHT, AIR CANADA, BUT BE ALERT FOR STRANGE TRAFFIC--VERY STRANGE TRAFFIC
WE'VE GOT SOME KIND OF... UH, GIANT ROBOT... BUZZING THE FIELD. IT'S APPARENTLY OUT OF CONTROL...
"GIANT... ROBOT"--?
ROGER--AND IF YOU HAVE ANY CHOICE AT ALL...
DO WE, FRANK?
NONE. BE LUCKY TO MAKE IT DOWN NOW AS IT IS.
THIS IS THE CAPTAIN, TOWER-- I'M CARRYING 230 PASSENGERS. I CAN'T RISK THEIR LIVES IN A FORCED LANDING. WE'RE COMING IN.
AND COME IN THE HUGE AIRCRAFT DOES-- DIRECTLY INTO THE AUTOMATIC HOMING RANGE OF A JUGGERNAUT CALLED COMBATRA AND INSIDE...
MADRE DE DIOS! WHAT HAVE I DONE NOW--?!
NO MATTER HOW MANY LEVERS I TRY-- AND NO MATTER HOW MUCH THAT PLANE MOVES--
--I KEEP HEADING STRAIGHT AT IT!!
OH NO!! THEY'RE GOING TO COLLIDE!
IT'S DELIBERATELY DODGING THE PLANE! I THOUGHT YOU SAID IT WAS OUT OF CONTROL?!
IT IS-- BUT ENRIQUE MUST HAVE ACCIDENTALLY HIT THE AUTOMATIC HOMING MODE!!


"THAT MEANS RAYDEEN IS OUR LAST CHANCE--OUR ONLY HOPE FOR AVERTING CATASTROPHE!"
IT'S GONNA BE A DESPERATE SHOT, RAYDEEN--
--BUT IT'S THE ONLY ONE WE'VE GOT!
IT'S JUST YOU AND ME, RAYDEEN - BUDDY...
--THREE--FIRE!!
SPREEZZ
...NO HELP FROM THE FOLLOWERS NOW-- TIME FOR US TO HANDLE OUR OWN PROBLEMS!
THE TWING'S GOTTA BE PERFECT, PAL--ONE...TWO--
A BLINDING BURST OF ENERGY AND COMBATRA AND...
...COMBATRA'S HEAD SEPARATES, BECOMING ITS COMPONENT MODULE--DECOA-V...
...WHICH IMMEDIATELY PLUMMETS INTO DEADFALL...
...WITH ENRIQUE INSIDE!
I DID MY BEST, BUT I COULDN'T STOP THIS THING... AND NOW I AM GOING TO DIE!
AT LEAST THE PLANE WAS SAVED! AND FOR ME--PERHAPS THIS IS THE ONLY WAY IT COULD END!
BUT RAYDEEN HAS OTHER IDEAS...
CLOP
WE DID IT, RAYDEEN! YOU AND ME--WE DID IT ON OUR OWN!
WE SAVED ALL OF THEM!!

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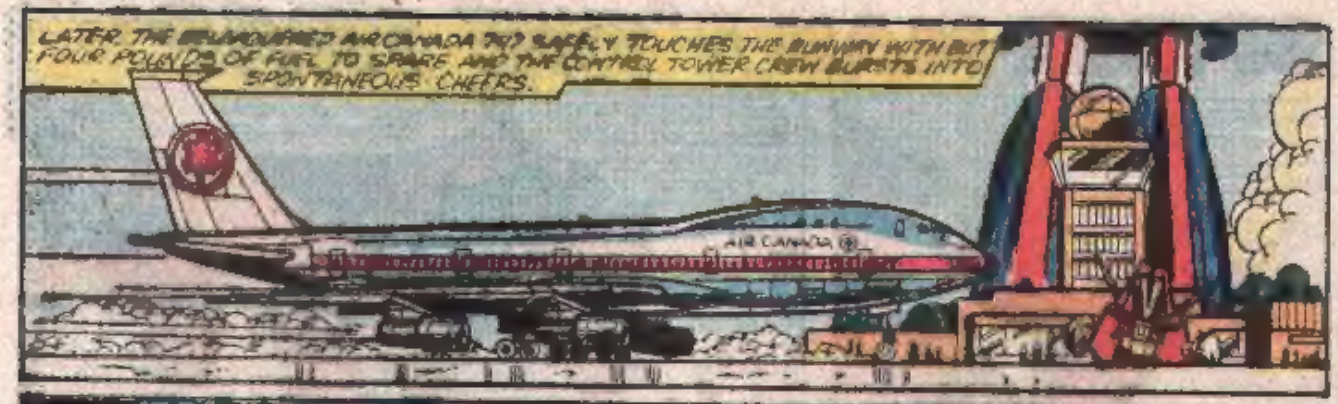
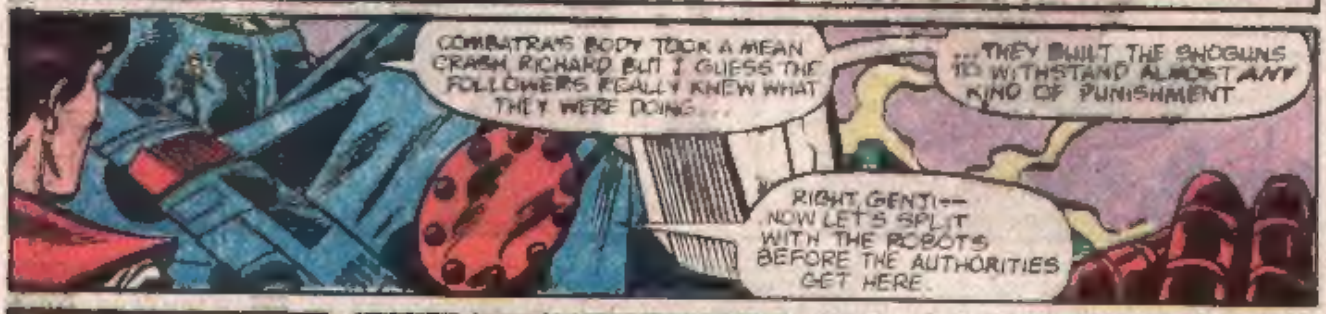
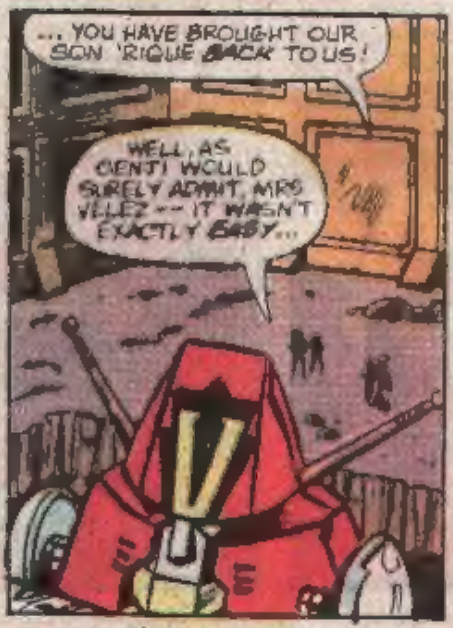
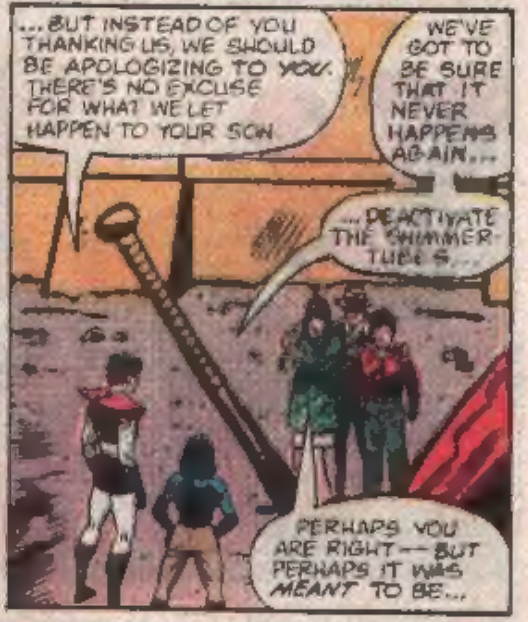
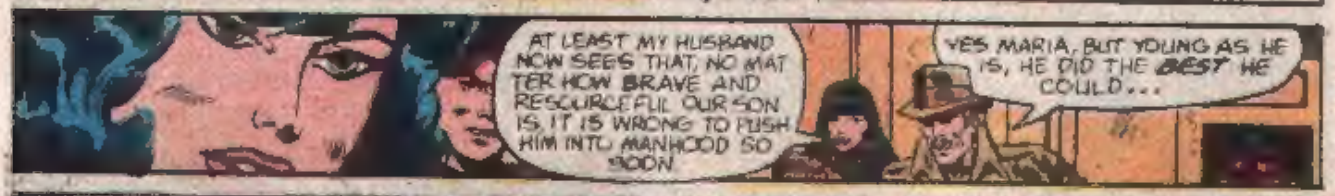

LATER, THE BEDRAGGLED AIR CANADA 747 SAFELY TOUCHES THE RUNWAY WITH BUT FOUR POUNDS OF FUEL TO SPARE AND THE CONTROL TOWER CREW BURSTS INTO SPONTANEOUS CHEERS.
AIR CANADA


COMBATRA'S BODY TOOK A MEAN CRASH, RICHARD BUT I GUESS THE FOLLOWERS REALLY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE DOING...
...THEY BUILT THE SHOGUNS TO WITHSTAND ALMOST ANY KIND OF PUNISHMENT
RIGHT, GENJI!— NOW LET'S SPLIT WITH THE ROBOTS BEFORE THE AUTHORITIES GET HERE.




...BUT INSTEAD OF YOU THANKING US, WE SHOULD BE APOLOGIZING TO YOU. THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR WHAT WE LET HAPPEN TO YOUR SON.
WE'VE GOT TO BE SURE THAT IT NEVER HAPPENS AGAIN...
...DEACTIVATE THE SHIMMER-TUBES...
PERHAPS YOU ARE RIGHT — BUT PERHAPS IT WAS MEANT TO BE...


AT LEAST MY HUSBAND NOW SEES THAT, NO MATTER HOW BRAVE AND RESOURCEFUL OUR SON IS, IT IS WRONG TO PUSH HIM INTO MANHOOD SO SOON
YES MARIA, BUT YOUNG AS HE IS, HE DID THE BEST HE COULD...

NEXT ISSUE: THE CHAOS WARS